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1. The following observations were made in the Altengrabow (M 53/Z 00) training area:

13 August. Materiel unloaded from a train included 6 rocket launchers, 6 howitzers, 6 long-barreled guns, and an undetermined number of trucks.

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14 August. AAA firing practice was held from 2 to 7:30 p.m. (2)

15 August. A train with eight 76.2-mm AA guns and trucks,

(3) AAA firing practice was held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 to 6:30 p.m. (2)

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16 August. A train carrying 35-mm AA guns and trucks

An artillery unit with long-barreled guns departed by road.

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19 August. Night practice of troops with 10 x 100-mm howitzers in the Drewitz-Hohenziatz area.

20 August. An artillery unit with prime movers and heavy guns left for a field exercise.

21 August. AAA firing practice was heard from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., while troops practiced parachute jumps from a captive balloon from 2 to 7 p.m. Artillery record firing was held during the night.

23 August. A 75-mm AAA battalion and a heavy artillery battalion returned from a field exercise. (2) A troop train of 60 cars departed for Wolmirstedt, carrying soldiers with equipment, including vehicles

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(4) Soldiers practiced parachute jumping from a captive balloon between 3 and 6 p.m.

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24 August. Heavy mortar fire was heard from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (2) A train of 30 cars was dispatched to Doeberitz

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25 August. Two trains each were dispatched from Doernitz to Jueterbog, Rehagen, Zehdenick, Koenigsbrueck and Wolmirstedt. Vehicles observed on these trains included

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with an AA gun; with artillery pieces:

with 120-mm mortars;

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Comments.

- (1) [redacted] the train carried a component of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, no elements of which previously appeared at Altengrabow in 1951.
- (2) The training activity at Altengrabow is similar to previous observations. [redacted] The vehicle [redacted] belong to units periodically identified at the troop training grounds: namely the 6th Arty Div, the unidentified artillery division from Potsdam, the 3d (?) Gds AT Arty Brig of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps, headquarters units of the Third Shock and Fourth Gds Mecz Armies, headquarters units of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps, the 12th Gds Tank Div, the 3th Gds Mecz Div, the 7th Gds Tank Div and the GORP.
- (3) [redacted] on 15 and 16 August the incoming and outgoing trains carried components of the 1st Mecz Div. The train which departed on 15 August probably went to Doeberitz, because [redacted] unloaded boxcars in the Doeberitz railroad station on 16 August 1951.
- (4) [redacted] the Wolmirstedt-bound train probably carried a headquarters unit of the Third Gds Mecz Army [redacted] is reported for the first time.
- (5) [redacted]
- (6) A report on rail movements mentioned two troop trains which left Altengrabow for Jueterbog and Rehagen respectively on 26 August 1951. [redacted] It is possible that these two trains were among the trains mentioned in the present report. [redacted] the Jueterbog-bound trains may have carried the 50th [redacted] [redacted] of the Third Gds Mecz Army, the Koenigsbrueck-bound trains components of the 8th Gds Mecz Div, the Wolmirstedt-bound trains components of both the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div and the 10th Gds Tank Div and the Zehdenick-bound trains components of the 12th Gds Tank Div.

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